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### REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the following remarks submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2002.

### REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are now pending in this application. Claims 6-9 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-5 and 10-24 stand rejected.

The rejection of Claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over McCartney (6,380,801) in view of Fujii et al. (5,184,199) is respectfully traversed.

McCartney describes an operational amplifier (100) that includes an input chop circuit (102) having a pair of input terminals (104, 106) and a pair of output terminals (108, 110). The